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A TAX LEVY OF THIRTY MILLS.

It Will Cover the Needs of the Various Boards.

SAME AS LAST YEAR'S LEVY.

Board of Review Will Organize Next Monday and Tax Commission Will Soon Begin Its Sessions—City Asks a Levy of 8.9 Mill and the School Board 10.5 Mills.

The city tax levy for next year is occupying the attention of the many official bodies although the tax commission and the board of review have not yet been organized for the coming work. The board of review will be organized next Monday and will commence its annual sessions in the near future. The exact date when the board will first meet to resume the work of last year has not been determined. The tax commission will meet to consider the city levy for all purposes except that part of the levy which is asked for by the board of education. The board of review considers and determines in a measure what levy the board of education shall have.

The state and county levies will remain the same for the coming year as they have been the past year. County Auditor Oberlin has received the levy wanted in each and they are the same as now exists. It was with this in view that the board of trade passed a resolution Thursday evening asking the parties interested in making up the levy to keep the total amount at least to thirty mills. The board of trade expressed a desire that the tax commission, the board of review and the board of education meet together and make up the entire levy so that any trouble similar to that which developed a year ago will be avoided. The board of education has found that its funds will be about $5,000 short at the end of the present school year because of the small levy granted last year, which was due to a peculiar chain of circumstances. The board of review gave the board of education all that was left in the tax levy under thirty mills. It is this condition that all desire to avoid this year.

The city council has decided upon a levy of 8.9 mills for all city funds, giving a total of $45,629.46 for the next year. The board of education has taken the expenses of the present year, allowing a proportionate increase for an increase in the staff of teachers, and finds that this sum will require a tax levy of 10.5 mills. The poor fund levy, the soldiers' relief fund levy and the state and county levies are to be added to this. County Auditor Oberlin figured up the total, unofficially, taking the levies which had been reported to him through various channels and found that the levies now asked for will give Massillon a levy of 29.5 mills. Mr. Oberlin said that no doubt the levy would be fully thirty mills as he had been informed that there was a possibility that the township poor fund might be increased and also that the soldiers' relief fund might have to have another half mill.

The prospects in general are favorable to the keeping of the levy down to thirty mills without cutting any individual levy to any great extent. The city levy is lower this year than last year, due to the fact that there is sufficient money in the general fund of the city to carry on the work coming under that head without making a levy this year. From what can be learned from all channels having anything to do with the tax levy, it appears that the next levy will be for thirty mills, the same as the present levy.

There are several citizens who raise objections to this high levy, which was the highest in the county last year, and will possibly be the highest next year, but the boards asking for money under this high levy have ample proof that the work to be done is necessary. The board of education has made an itemized account of what it needs and this will be presented to the board of review. About $70,000 will be needed for the schools. The city has asked for about $46,000, of which amount $36,914 is for the use of the board of public service. It will thus be seen that the schools and the improvements in the city are to be given the greatest amounts.

Auditor Oberlin says that there is a likelihood that the property valuation of Massillon will be increased by $100,000 and that Massillon will receive a good share of $28,000 from another channel. All of this will tend to bring more money to the funds next year.

The tax commission will hold a meeting in a few days to take up the preliminary part of its work. This board consists of the Hon. Anthony Howells, Charles G. King, T. Harvey Smith and Philip Sonnhalter, with City Auditor J. U. Douglass secretary. A meeting will be held the first part of the week. Regular sessions will not be held until later. The prospects as they appear from statements made by members of all interested bodies are that the tax levy will be determined upon to the satisfaction of all interests without any troubles as was experienced last year. There seems little hope of having a levy below thirty mill this year.

COMMON PLEAS COURT.

Jury Cases to be Tried in Both Rooms This Week.

Canton, June 5.—The cases in common pleas court this week will b tried by jury. Judge Harter will preside in room No. 1 and Judge Ambler in room No. 2. The assignment is as follows:

Room No. 1—Monday, June 5—Motions; Stark I. and M. Company vs Emmerman Brothers; Moore vs News-Democrat Publishing Company; Oliver vs Dorrance.

Tuesday—Wottle vs Patrick Henry Jr. O. U. A. M. · Graham vs Insurance Company; Graham vs Insurance Company; M. and C. Coal Company's receiver vs Massillon Bottle and Glass Company; M. and C. Coal Company's receiver vs Wooster Glass Company.

Wednesday—Nicodemus vs Geigenseiter, etc.; Nunamaker vs Central Union Telephone Company; Bergold vs Rhine et al; Doll vs Brown et al; Markowitz vs Galinsky.

Thursday—Swartz vs Swartz administrator; Reemsnyder's receiver vs Miller; Carnahan S. and E. Company vs Canton Hollow Block Company; H. W. Middleton Company vs Diamond Metal Lathe Company; Ackerman vs Canton Saw Company.

Friday—Cornell vs Bush; Myer vs Busby; Dennis & Dickey vs Pennsylvania Company; Canton Rolling Mill Company vs United Steel Company et al; Strausser's administrator vs C. T. & V. R. R.

Room No. 2—Monday, June 5—Motions; Rex's administrator vs Givler et al. Afternoon—Hettinger vs McFarren; Holman vs Ruth; Mullin vs Reiner et al.

Tuesday—Weintroub vs Russell; Canton Hollow Block Company vs Carnahan S. and E. Company; Winold vs Winold; Holwick K. L. Company vs Herdlick et al; Westinghouse E. & M. Company vs West Penn F. M. Company.

Wednesday—Heywood Brothers vs Barrie; Schaub vs Canton city; Schaub vs Canton city; Ohio, Miller vs Slutz; Silver vs Stark Electric Railway.

Thursday—Richards' receiver, vs Williams; Aldine Grate and Mantle Company vs Abt; Teeters vs Brown; Hossler vs Reich; Shillinger vs city of Canton.

Friday—Canton city vs Baer; Parthington's administrator vs Pennsylvania Company; Little's administrator vs U. S. Health and Accident Insurance Company; Richards vs Boylan et al; Studer vs Stuart.

WELTY IS WILLING.

Formally Announces That He is in the Gubernatorial Race.

Canton, June 1.—The Hon. John C. Welty has formally announced himself as a candidate for the nomination for governor on the Democratic ticket. On Wednesday he sent the following letter to Emil Kauffman, chairman of the Stark county Democratic central committee:

Dear Sir—Having been advised of the action of your committee in selecting delegates to the coming Democratic state convention and instructing them to vote for my nomination for governor at said convention, I desire to return to the committee and the Democracy of this county, whom you represent, my sincere thanks for the compliment and the confidence they thus reposed in me and in obedience to your wish and desire I shall become a candidate at the coming convention for the nomination for governor.

Should Canton have been selected as the place for holding the convention this year, in justice to the other candidates I would have felt as though Canton and Stark county had been sufficiently remembered and as a citizen of this city I did all I could to secure the convention for Canton.

Again let me assure you and through you, your committee, that I return sincere thanks for your action and will hope that our efforts may be successful.

Sincerely yours,
JOHN C. WELTY.

MONEY to loan on farms, low interest, long time. Farms bought, sold and exchanged. Geo. R. Hankins, over Merchant's Bank, Massillon. Farmers phone.

Only one remedy in the world that will at once stop itchiness of the skin in any part of the body; Doan's Ointment. At any drug store, 50 cents.

A SECOND ROAD IS PROJECTED.

Another Highway Between Canton and Massillon.

TO BE SOUTH OF THE OLD ROAD.

New Lands for Building Purposes Would Thus be Opened Near Both Cities—Road Will Not Parallel Pennsylvania Lines Nor Follow the South Canton Road.

The fact developed Friday that there is a second project on foot to construct a boulevard between Canton and Massillon, taking what will be known as the southern route, near the Pennsylvania tracks, presumably to the north of the railroad. As yet the project has not reached a stage where the promoters will give out many of the details to the public.

An Independent reporter asked Frank Bordner, a farmer residing on the Canton and Massillon road, about the report Friday. Mr. Bordner said that as yet he was not in a position to say very much about the new road. He admitted, however, that the project was on foot and that within a few weeks the details would be ready for the public. According to Mr. Bordner, the new line will not parallel the Pennsylvania tracks nor will it follow the highway known as the south Canton road, which is practically a straigt line between the two cities from corporation line to corporation line. Near Massillon the south Canton road runs into Richville avenue.

Between the Pennsylvania tracks and the present Canton and Massillon road lay many beautiful farms of level lands with unlimited possibilities when the laying out of lots is considered. A section of line could be followed through this territory which would give a straight line for a road between the two cities.

Mr. Bordner would give no reason for the building of the second road from here to Canton. Whether it is for the use of an electric car line or simply to open up new lands for building purposes where lots may be sold is not known. It was but a few months ago that a street car line leading from the business section of Canton was built in the direction of the proposed boulevard to the corporation line of that city. The Independent reporter was informed Friday afternoon that surveys for an electric line between Massillon and Canton over a route in the vicinity of the proposed boulevard were recently made.

The report of the second boulevard caused a person interested in the project to widen the present Canton and Massillon road to say that he had heard of the report of the southern line but thought that it was simply a means of opening up new lands, where lots could be sold. Another interested person added that should there ever be a second highway between the two cities connecting them as directly as does the old road it would not be a week after the road had been opened before some company would be after a franchise to build an electric line, providing the franchise for an electric line is not an incentive to the idea of constructing the highway.

AT OYSTER BAY.

Addition Built to President's Summer Home.

Washington, June 3.—Although the family of the President in Oyster Bay will be smaller than usual this summer, those who remain at home will have a larger house to live in. An addition to the house is being built of brick and tile, and will be completed on June 10, the date on which Mrs. Roosevelt and the children are to leave the White House.

Mrs. Roosevelt has directed most of the plans and details of the addition, which is to contain the President's library and rooms for the children, and also of the improvements being made in the grounds. A pumping engine for the family water supply is being erected to take the place of the old windmill.

The annual reunion of the Stoner-Rodocker families will be held at the residence of Jacob Weisgarber, one mile northwest of Pigeon Run, on Saturday, June 10, 1905. You are cordially invited to attend.

ELFA HASSLER, Sec'y.
L. F. STONER, Pres.

Mothers lose their dread for "that terrible second summer" when they have Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry in the house. Nature's specific for bowel complaints of every sort.

IN THE OLDEN TIME.

Servant Girls Received Five Shillings Per Week.

Mr. Charles H. King, of Mansfield, an old-time resident of Stark county, and a valued contributor to The Independent, stirred by a newspaper story of what was deemed a wonderful feat of pedestrianism on the part of two young ladies, writes as follows:

Times and customs have changed! In a Cleveland paper published last fall I noticed among other things that two young ladies of about 20 years intended walking from Cleveland to Pittsburg. It was considered a remarkable undertaking. Seventy-five years ago such an undertaking would not have afforded oddity enough for neighborhood gossip.

Up to the introduction of railroads, one-fourth of the women and girls over 16 that settled in Ohio (excepting those that came by water) walked more miles than there are between Cleveland and Pittsburg and nothing particular was thought of it.

About the middle of September, 1830, Solomon Rasor and his twin sister, Catharine, aged about 17, cousins of my mother, living nineteen miles northwest of Wooster, tied up their dinners and a cake of maple sugar weighing from five to ten pounds, and walked to Wooster, where they exchanged their sugar at six and a fourth cents a pound for a few store goods they needed, ate their dinner and then walked to Massillon, twenty-two miles farther, where they took supper with their bachelor brother, Benjamin Rasor, Massillon's first shoemaker. After supper they came to our house, one mile farther, making forty-two miles walking that day. They intended visiting some of their mother's relatives and obtain employment. Their brother, John Rasor, was in the employ of Luther L. Foote, Massillon's first lawyer. A few weeks before this John Rasor was licensed by the Albright, or Evangelicate conference, to preach, and was assigned a circuit. He was the first preacher that resided in Massillon. He only preached one sermon in the place. It was in German. Solomon took his brother John's place with Mr. Foote at a salary of five dollars a month and board. Catharine visited some and did some housework for a couple months, and then walked home, going as far as West Salem, forty miles, the first day, and nothing strange was thought of her trip.

At that time the usual price paid girls for ordinary domestic work, and this included the usual household duties, milking the cows, churning butter, feeding the calves and hunting the eggs, was sixty-two and a half cents a week Spinning girls received seventy-five cents a week. They were expected to spin sixteen cuts a day, help get breakfast and help rid up the dishes after supper. Where a woman was sick the girl expected a dollar a week for two weeks. And at these prices the supply exceeded the demands.

FORTY-EIGHT PASSED.

Successful Applicants at Patterson Examination.

Of the one hundred and fifty applicants who took the Patterson examination at the Canton high school building, May 13, forty-eight were successful. The names of the successful ones follow:

Howard M. Bergert, Canton; Noble Dager, Osnaburg; William D. Douglass, Osnaburg; Russell Fouse, Hartville; Herbert Grant, Justus; Hubert Hibishman, New Berlin; James Hood, Beach City; Albert Kaufman, Massillon; Wade Lenhart, Beach City; Glenn Lotz, Osnaburg; Willie Mick, Osnaburg; Oscar W. Myers, Osnaburg; John Myers, Osnaburg; Carl Neff, Hartville; John H. Nimon, Osnaburg; Almon Reynolds, Alliance; Benjamin Rose, Navarre; McKinley Schlott, Louisville; Elson Shetler, Justus; Paul Shinn, Deerfield; Willie S. Snode, Alliance; Arges Starkey, Minerva; Edward L. Stall, Pierce; Lloyd Stoner, Aultman; W. H. Texter, Canton; Hugo Paul Wise, Oval City; Orrin E. Wolf, New Berlin; Clara Balmat, Barryville, Myrtle Cornell, Canton; Gertrude Crookston, Crystal Spring; Eva Heid, Alliance; Elsie G. Johns, Greentown; Dora Klein, Crystal Spring; Etta Lamberson, Canton; Florence McFarren, Massillon; Eva Miller, Louisville; Mildred Pfouts, Beach City; Ruth Pontius, Canton; Helen M. Ream, Hartville; Grace Reiberstein, Osnaburg; Ruby E. Snyder, Navarre; Signa Speck, Osnaburg; Blanche Sponseller, Canton; Ida Mae Stover, Massillon; Meta Strauss, Beach City; Evalene Werley, Osnaburg; Grace Young, Crystal Spring.

GENERAL BOYNTON DEAD.

Atlantic City, N. J., June 3.—General Henry V. Boynton, president of Chickamauga park commission, died here today from a complication of diseases.

TO TALK ABOUT NEW HOSPITAL.

Keeping ot the Criminal Insane Will be Discussed.

GOVERNOR HERRICK IS INVITED.

The State Meeting Will be Held at Massillon Hospital June 15—Trustees Meet the Day Following—Dr. and Mrs. Eyman are in Cleveland.

The programme of the summer meeting of the trustees, superintendents and stewards of the state hospitals of Ohio, which will be held at the Massillon state hospital June 15, consists of a variety of discussions, all pertaining closely to the work of the hospitals in the many branches. The matter of establishing a hospital for the criminal insane at Lima will receive considerable attention and will be discussed at length. This is a new subject in Ohio, although the plan has been tried successfully in Michigan. The question was first brought up last December at the winter meeting of the hospital authorities, when Superintendent H. C. Eyman introduced a resolution which was adopted unanimously, asking the general assembly to establish a criminal insane hospital at Lima instead of a general hospital for the insane, such as the Massillon hospital.

The state board of charities later took up the work and Secretary Shirer visited the Michigan institution and made a thorough inspection. He is now drawing up a bill to be introduced in the next legislature with the end in view that the state will build a hospital such as has been asked for. Secretary Shirer has given the subject almost continuous study for the past four months. He has figures to show that there are five hundred insane patients, who would be classed as those to be placed in the proposed new hospital. He has figured out a proposition whereby the expenses of the older hospital would be reduced should the criminal insane be classed together at Lima. No intimation has been gained as to how the members of the general assembly feel regarding the matter. This will be work to be determined later.

The trustees of the Massillon hospital will hold their June meeting on the 16th, the day following the meeting of all of the state hospital authorities. Superintendent Eyman has sent an invitation to Governor Herrick to be present at the state meeting and take part in the discussions pertaining to the welfare of the hospitals. As yet Governor Herrick has not accepted the invitation but has expressed a desire to meet with the authorities. When the hospital officials meet in Columbus Governor Herrick attends the meetings. As the chief executive officer of the state, he holds the appointive power over all of the state hospital authorities.

Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Eyman and Miss Gladys Eyman left for Cleveland Saturday morning to be the guests of friends there until Monday.

Miss Ethel Eyman is visiting Mrs. George Copeland at Marion.

Dr. E. C. Brown, of the staff of physicians, will leave Sunday for a week's visit at his home in Circleville.

A ball game between two picked nines took place Friday afternoon on the hospital grounds, because of the failure of the Navarre team to appear against the regular team, as had been arranged.

The tennis court has been put in excellent condition and many lively games are seen daily.

The weekly dance was held in William McKinley hall Friday evening.

P. J. Leeds, of Georgetown, and Mrs. D. M. Meneley, of Jeffersonville, father and sister of Mrs. Dudley, are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dudley, at the steward's residence.

STEEL PLANT IN CANADA.

United States Corporation Will Expend Five Million Dollars.

Detroit, June 3.—On what is believed to be unimpeachable authority, it is stated that the United State Steel Corporation is buying options on property for the erection of a $10,000,000 steel plant on the Canadian shore of the Detroit river just below Sandwich, Ont. A Bessemer pig iron furnace will be established on the Detroit side of the river.

Tisn't safe to be a day without Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil in the house. Never can tell what moment an accident is going to happen.

A NEW HOLIDAY.

June 14 to be Observed in Ohio as "Flag Day."

Columbus, June 1.—Governor Herrick has issued a proclamation designating June 14, the anniversary of the birth of the Stars and Stripes, as flag day. The proclamation follows:

"The anniversary of the birth of our flag falls on the 14th of June. On the 14th day of June, 1777, the congress of the United States of America enacted 'that the flag of the thirteen united states be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in blue field, representing the new constellation.' Subsequently, the congress fixed the shape of the flag to be thirteen stripes and a star for each state. The story of the flag, its history, what it cost in blood and treasure, is our common heritage, and cannot too often be told, nor its significance impressed upon our citizens.

"Therefore, I, Myron T. Herrick, governor of Ohio, do hereby designate Wednesday, the 14th day of June, 1905, as Ohio flag day and direct that the buildings of state make proper display of national emblem. I earnestly ask that the municipal officers of our cities, towns and villages likewise order the same to be done, and that all of our citizens display from their residences and places of business the flag of our country. I suggest that the newspapers co-operate by calling attention to the day. Particularly, I would urge the schools of the state to observe the day by appropriate exercises."

COUNTY SEAT NEWS.

Canton State Bank Wreckers Arraigned Today.

Canton, June 3.—Former Vice President Davis and former Cashier Bachtel, of the defunct Canton State bank, were arraigned before Justice Barrick Saturday morning on charges of stealing and hypothecating $15,000 worth of the bank's stock. They entered pleas of not guilty and will be given hearings next Friday, each of their bonds remaining at $7,500.

An increase of $111,318 in the valuation of the Canton-Akron Railway Company was made in the appraisement of the property fixed by Auditor Oberlin, of Stark county, and Auditor Buckman, of Summit county, at their meeting Friday afternoon. The valuation for the present year is $506,000 as compared with $394,682 last year. The road has 57½ miles of track, appraised at $5,000 a mile; power equipment appraised at $2,800 a mile and rolling stock placed at $1,099 a mile. The increase was based on the gross earnings of the company, which Auditor Oberlin says discloses a substantial gain.

CONTRACTS ARE LET.

Cleveland Company Will Build Aqueducts on the Canal.

Columbus, June 3.—The state board of public works yesterday afternoon awarded the contract for building the three new aqueducts on the canal between Akron and Cleveland to the King Bridge Company, of Cleveland, at its bid of $10,015.65 for all three structures. There were but two other bids on the aqueducts, the Houston-Cleveland Company, of Columbus, bidding $11,086.80, and the Canton Bridge Company $12,613.50. The bid of the Bellefontaine Bridge Company was found to be irregular and was not considered.

On the bidding for the wrought iron and steel castings it was decided to award half of the contract to the Alex Adamson Company, of Akron, and the other half to the Atlantic Foundry Company, of Akron, at their bid of three and a half cents a pound. Mr. Perkins, the engineer, estimates that about sixty thousand pounds will be required.

A BRITISN SCANDAL.

Army Officers Rob Government of Five Million Dollars.

London, June 3.—According to the Daily Mirror the report of the war office commission on the improper disposal of military stores at the conclusion of the South African war, reveals a huge scandal.

The report, the paper says, censures a number of officers whose names are given and who are alleged to have worked in collusion with contractors. The latter bought stores at absurdly low prices, and afterwards resold them to the military authorities at enormous profits, entailing a loss to the government of $5,000,000.

SAVED THREE SHIPS.

Manila, June 3.—Admiral Enquist, commander of the Russian heavy cruiser squadron, arrived in the bay tonight with his flagship and two other cruisers. All the vessels were damaged and many wounded are on board.

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Although it would be more natural for the grandson of Napoleon's brother to be at the head of the war instead of the navy department, there is every reason to believe that the president has made a good choice in selecting Mr Bonaparte as a member of his cabinet.

Admiral Rojestvensky, defeated though he is, should not be denied the honor to which he is entitled. He was assigned, and uncomplainingly undertook, a hopeless and practically impossible task, the dangers of which he perfectly understood. There is no reason why the world should not respect Rojestvensky as a gallant but unfortunate Russian sailor.

With its imagination dipping into the impossible the New York Sun remarks: "Well, suppose Russia had won! What would have become of the integrity of China? What would have happened to our trade interests in the Orient? How long would it have been before Russia and England were engaged in a struggle on the Indian frontier? Would there not have been another effort to reach the Mediterranean by way of Constantinople? How long would the Kaiser have stayed out? The future has its own riddle but it is a lucky thing for the world that they are not of immediate importance."

Diplomatic circles seem to be just as ignorant as is the general public of what Russia will do in the face of its complete martial impotence. Official talk of indefinitely prolonging the war, such as Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador at Washington, is indulging in, is evidently mere patter which must be kept up until a definite policy has been decided upon. Some St. Petersburg information to the effect that the czar will never initiate peace negotiations seems to suggest that he would almost welcome strong pressure either from within the empire or from concerted action of the powers to which he could appear to yield from altruistic reasons.

COST OF THE WAR TO RUSSIA.

Ships destroyed — Battleships: Petropavlosk, Peresviet, Pobieda, Poltava, Retvisan, Sevastopol (sunk at Port Arthur), Kniaz Suvaroff, Alexander III, Borodino, Osliaba, Sissoi Veleky and Navarin (sunk in Korean straits)—12. Cruisers: Bayan, Bogatyr, Boyarin, Novik, Pallada, Rurik and Varing (sunk at or near Port Arthur), Admiral Nakhimoff, Dmitri Donskoi, Vladimir Monomach, Soetlaria, Jemtchug, Izrumund, Aurora and Olay (destroyed in Korean straits)—15. Other boats: Admiral Oushakoff, Kamtchatka and Illutich, Korietz, Mandjar, Atvanzy, Genisei and eleven torpedo boat destroyers—18. A total of 45.

Ships captured—Two battleships, Orel, Nicholas I; two coast defense ironclads, Admiral Apraxine and Admiral Seulavine; one torpedo boat destroyer, Biedovy.

In addition to this the Japs will probably get possession of the cruisers Askold, Diana and the battleships Tsarevitch, disarmed in neutral ports, and various smaller boats now scattered about the China and Japan seas or hemmed in at Vladivostok.

The loss of lives—At Yalu, 3,000; Nanshan, 2,000; Lelissu, 5,000; Lashihiao, 2,000; Liaoyang, 25,000; Shake, 60,000; Sandepu, 10,000; Mukden, 100,000; Port Arthur, 21,000; Korean straits, 7,000. Add to this the 100,000 prisoners taken by the Japs and the losses in small engagements runs the total of Russian casualties close to 325,000.

Authorities agree that the war has already cost Russia in money over $750,000,000.

COST OF LIVING IN WASHINGTON.

When Sir Mortimer Durand was recently in London he secured from the British government an increase of salary as ambasasdor at Washington from $32,500 to $36,500 a year, on the ground that the cost of living in this city is so great as to make the increase necessary. At least the British foreign office is explaining the advance on the ground that the expense attached to the Washington embassy has materially increased within a few years.

All Washingtonians will bear out the assertion that it costs more to live now, on the same scale, than it did ten years ago. The price of everything needed on the table and in the home has advanced. This applies to the lower walks of life, as well as to the sphere of affluence, where the cost of living is measured by entirely different standards of so-called necessity.

It would be important to ascertain, if possible, whether the cost of living in the higher official and diplomatic circles has increased more rapidly than in the lower social grade; whether Washington, as a capital, is becoming gayer or more etxravagant in its official activities. Some critics of the ways of the Washington official world aver that this is true, that this "court" is now less democratic than any court in Europe. This is clearly an extravagance, perhaps inspired by a splenetic view of the political situation.

The heaviest part of the cost of official living in Washington is undoubtedly that due to the giving of receptions, balls, dinners, luncheons and other functions of a semi-social, semi-political character. This process of entertainment is like a snow ball. When once it starts it must grow. Every guest is in some degree bound to reciprocate. The acceptance of an invitation carries with it, in a measure, an obligation to entertain in turn, and the gayer the season the more rapid is the whirl of the social wheel and the faster must run the votaries to keep pace.

There is, of course, a limit to the process. There must be an end to the acceleration. Fortunatus' purse has never been recovered and furthermore there is a point beyond which physical endurance cannot go. And the solution of the problem, if problem there be, so far as the official households of foreign governments are concerned, rests with the chancelleries of Europe. If they want Washington to be quieter in its social tone and less expensive to their representatives at this capital, they have but to pull the purse strings. For it must not be forgotten that the embassies and legations are themselves in part responsible for the pace that costs.—Washington Star.

ABNER M'KINLEY'S ESTATE.

Petition for Removal of His Widow as Executrix.

Somerset, Pa., June 3.—In the orphans' court of Somerset county Friday a petition of the Seaboard National bank, of New York city, praying for the removal of Mrs. Annie McKinley as executrix of the estate of her husband, the late Abner McKinley, was filed. The court granted a rule on Mrs. McKinley to show cause why she should not be removed. The return is to be made June 19.

Ex-Judge Samuel S. Mehard, of Pittsburg, General William H. Koontz and Attorney John G. Ogle, of Somerset, are counsel for the petitioners. Mrs. McKinley is represented by Attorney George R. Scull, of this place. The life insurance carried by the late Abner McKinley is said to have approximated $100,000. The Seaboard bank's claims against the estate are $1,500 and $6,000. Mrs. McKinley is in Florida, where she spent the winter. The McKinley estate is understood to be insolvent and not likely to pay fifty cents on the dollar. On May 4, at orphans' court sale, Abner McKinley's real estate was sold. Mrs. Mabel McKinley Baer, through a New York attorney and her husband, Hermanus L. Baer, purchased for $16,600 the McKinley residence here, generally known as "McKinley Place," where the late President William McKinley visited frequently while he was in office.

Eastern Ohio Patents.

H. E. Dunlap, patent attorney, of Wheeling, W. Va., reports the following patents issued on the 30th of last month: G. W. King, H. J. Barnhart and C. B. King, assignors to Marion Steam Shovel Company, Marion, steam shovel; Arthur H. Marks, Akron, tubular flexible article and constructing same; John W. Myers, Ashland, molding flask.

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The blood is the medium through which every tissue, every organ is supplied with the material it feeds upon and rebuilds itself with. Take away that nourishment by letting the blood run down in quantity and quality and you take away the power of an organ or tissue to resupply waste or rebuild itself. In other words, the system starves: color, appetite, steadiness, energy, vigor, vitality—all are lost and a condition of mental and physical prostration sets in. This condition Dr A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills positively cure by their power to manufacture good, rich, nutritious, oxygen carrying blood, a blood that carries to every organ the very material it lives and thrives upon.

Mr. George Horkins, of Westinghouse Avenue, Wilmerding, Pa., says:

"I began to use Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills in Pittsburg. I was at the time badly run down, weak—nervous—could not eat—cold all the time, as my blood was thin, and did not sleep well. The medicine put me in splendid shape rapidly and easily, giving me steady nerves—a fine appetite—restful sleep—a general feeling of energy and vigor and good rich blood that showed in the way my color came back. The medicine is certainly a grand one and I am only too glad to say so." 50 cents a box at dealers or Dr. A. W. Chase Medicine Company, Buffalo, N. Y. Portrait and signature of A. W. Chase, M. D., on every package. For sale by E. S. Craig, Druggist, Massillon, O.

HONORED BY CITIZENS.

A Tribute to Miss Rosa A. Levers at Canal Fulton.

Three hundred citizens of Canal Fulton honored Miss Rosa A. Levers at her home in that place Friday evening and rewarded her with a purse of $100 and other substantial gifts because of her faithfulness and ability as a teacher in the St. Philip and St. James parochial school. When the school closed Friday afternoon Miss Levers had completed twenty years of continuous service as its teacher. During the afternoon the pupils gave her a gold chain, an umbrella and many individual gifts. Miss Levers has signified her intention of teaching no more.

In the evening three hundred persons, which number included the present pupils in the schools and many of former years, headed by the Canal Fulton band, marched to the Carl Myers home and surprised Miss Levers by expressing their appreciation of her earnest work. Edward Neichter was spokesman in presenting Miss Levers with a purse, the contents of which were unknown to her. She responded feelingly to the ovation. The reception was turned into a reunion of the many former school pupils.

GOT FULL AMOUNT.

Verdict Given to M. Neal, of This City, for $565.

Saturday morning Squire A. N. Kaley rendered a verdict in the Neal vs. Harter Milling Company case in favor of the plaintiff for the full amount of $565. It will be remembered that M. Neal of this city, who was for several months connected with the Harter Milling Co., of Toledo, as sales agent, sued this concern for that amount, alleged to be due as commission on a large shipment of flour to Norfolk, Va. The Norfolk purchasers later refused the shipment, but reconsidered their action and accepted the flour. The Harter Milling Company refused to pay the Massillon man the commission due and the case was carried before Squire Kaley with the above mentioned result

TRANSFER MADE.

$55,000 in $1,000 Bonds Delivered to the Local Bank.

Auditor Douglass will today hand over to the First National bank of this city the $55,000 paving fund bonds awarded for their premium bid of $760. There are fifty-five of the $1,000 denomination bonds. The bonds are made payable to the bearer. Each bears the city corporate seal and the signature of the city auditor and mayor. The first bond is due May 1, 1906, and annually then until May 1, 1912. The bonds were recorded Thursday in the records of the sinking fund trustees. The bonds bear four and one-half per cent interest, payable annually on the first day of May at the city treasurer's office.

VACATION AT HAND.

The Charity Rotch School was Closed Friday.

The school year at the Charity Rotch school was brought to a close Friday afternoon when exercises consisting of recitations, essays, dialogues and songs were rendered by the twenty-seven pupils. Miss Nellie Robinson, the teacher, will spend the summer vacation at her home in Canton. Superintendent and Mrs. Skeels will remain at the school during the vacation. The pupils will be permitted to take short vacations with friends before the opening of the school in the fall.

SUNDAY MEALS.

Do Not Overeat and You Will Feel Better on Monday.

If it is desired to begin the week refreshed and ready for labor, rested in mind and body, the eating customs of Sunday will have to be readjusted. Have a later breakfast, if desired, but have then a very light one even if you are hungry, or, if it must be hearty, then do not upset your digestive habits any more than may be avoided and have but two meals on that day and eat no other. It would be far better to have three light meals, lighter than usual, if that could be arranged to fit with the other household arrangements. The custom of noon dinner on that day arises from the usual absence of cook or maid at the later one, and this may be unavoidable. Very well, then; treat this as a rest day for cook and digestive apparatus as well as from other labors. Have a light breakfast, a light dinner and a chafing dish supper as near the ordinary hours of meals as possible and remember as you are going to take less exercise than usual you demand a lesser amount of more easily digested food.—Helen Johnson in Good Housekeeping.

The Silver Maple.

The highest pinnacle of tree development seems to have been reached when the silver maple was formed in nature's crucible. Think of all the good points in a physically perfect, high strung, blooded horse, apply these points to tree life and we have the silver maple. From the ground up to the topmost leaflet we find expressed in every atom of the tree strength, vitality, purity, beauty and usefulness. The trunk of this tree is as sleek and clean cut as any one could imagine a tree to be. The leaf is beautiful in its shape and color, the underside being a silvery white—from which it takes its name—and as one stands under it and looks up he sees a silver dome, or, if a breeze is blowing, the green and silver leaves shimmer and vibrate like an aspen, giving the appearance of pale green fire, which is especially noticeable on the approach of a storm. The leaf is five pointed and the entire edge is again indented with well defined teeth. This is the common shade tree of our cities.—St. Nicholas.

A Minister's Wooing.

The Rev. John Brown of Haddington, the author of the "Self Interpreting Bible," was a man of singular bashfulness. His courtship lasted seven years. Six and a half years had passed away, and the reverend gentleman had got no further than he had been in the first six days. A step in advance must be made, and Mr. Brown summoned all his courage for the deed. "Janet," said he one day as they sat in solemn silence, "we've been acquainted now six years and mair, and I've ne'er gotten a kiss yet. D'ye think I might take one, my bonnie lass?" "Just as you like, John; only be becoming and proper wi' it." "Surely, Janet; we'll ask a blessing." The blessing was asked, the kiss was taken, and the worthy divine, overpowered with the blissful sensation, rapturously exclaimed: "Heigh, lass, but it is gude! We'll return thanks!" Six months later the pious couple were made one flesh.

One Man's Idea of a Joke.

"This artificial limb business is getting to be something wonderful," said a Cleveland man. "When a man can wiggle the fingers of an artificial hand it is uncanny. Practical jokes of terrible effect are possible with the artificial limb, and the victim is such in the true sense of the word. I saw a man in Denver about three weeks ago who walked up to the hotel clerk and in a friendly way reached across the counter to shake hands. Then he wheeled away and left his hand in the grip of the clerk. The clerk fainted—actually fainted, although he realized, I believe, that the hand he held was but an artificial one. The man who wore it had devised a scheme by which he might throw it off by pressing a spring. The delight he took in the joke ceased when the victim collapsed."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Tallyho!

A very early equivalent of similar sound and purpose to the tallyho with which a huntsman now cheers on his hounds appears in a quaint old song printed in 1730 called "The Death of Reynard, the Fox," by Sir William Young:

He quickly found the cover
Too hot for him to stay,
And soon Ned Callet spied him
Stealing across the way.

"Tolle aux!" then Callet cried
And gave a gibbet shrill.
He tossed his brush as who should say,
"Come, kiss me if you will!"

Some, however, derive the cry when a fox breaks cover from "taillis hors," the French for "out of the coppice."—London Globe.

Sensitive Nerves.

When the points of a hairpin are passed along the cheek from a point near the eye to the edge of the upper lip they seem to separate. The reason is found in the fact that the nerves of the upper lip are more sensitive than those of the cheek and consequently differentiate the two points. Portions of the back are so little sensitive to the touch that two points three inches apart will create the impression of but one.

The Highest Tides.

The highest tides in all Europe occur in the Bristol channel, where at spring tides there is sometimes a difference of over forty feet between high and low water. The highest tides in the world occur at Fundy bay, Nova Scotia, where the difference is over seventy feet. The lowest tides in the world exist at Lake Michigan, where the difference between high and low water is only three inches.

A Political Secret.

Before Napoleon III., emperor of France, became interested in the Mexican empire project he had a plan in mind for certain mysterious military operations in Morocco. A writer says: "The German agent of a firm of Liege gunsmiths used to go at dead of night to a private door in the Rue St. Honore, press a button and be received in secret by Louis Napoleon himself. The German was to secure arms to the order of Napoleon, but all was to be secret. Payment was to be made through a Swiss banking house, as part of the capital of a railway in the Grisons. But it all came to nothing. Mexico claimed the horizon and the German and his guns were forgotten, and the secret of it all is still to seek."

A Queer Insect.

The "walking sticks," "walking leaves," etc., are among the most curious forms of insects inhabiting tropical America. They belong to the great family of phasmidaes and are as odd specimens of animated nature as one could well imagine. The type of the family is an elongated creature with a cylindrical brown body, looking exactly like a small limb or twig with the bark on. Some of the branches of this numerous family live in the torrid portions of Africa, where they attain enormous sizes. Vane, the great traveler, said he had seen them so large that "they had the general appearance of great, animated clubs moving up and down the branches and trunks of the gigantic tropical trees."

"Handle With Care."

If you send a package marked "Handle With Care" by freight, the railway employees will take every opportunity to tumble it around and dump it on the depot platform as though it were a bale of hay. We once saw a railroad employee so sick he could scarcely hold up his head, but when his wandering eye happened to fall on a package marked "Handle With Care" he arose with an expiring effort and threw the blamed thing the length of the depot platform, danced upon it, then shrieked and died."—Alma (Kan.) Signal.

How and Why It Rains.

Rain is an accumulation of the tiny particles of the vapor of the atmosphere into drops. These drops, first small of size, attract others of their kind and become drops of such magnitude that they fall to the earth because of their weight. There is a limit to the quantity of water which the air is capable of absorbing and retaining as invisible vapor. Warm air is able to hold more than cold air; hence when the air which is saturated with moisture becomes cold for any reason whatever it can no longer retain its moisture. A portion must under such condition accumulate into drops. These fall to the earth in the shape of rain.

His Hand Bath.

Arguing forcibly, if not convincingly, against the custom of taking a bath, still happily prevalent in certain quarters, a writer relates the savory story of a Kentish farm worker whose horny hand he grasped. "Good Kent dirt," said the man, catching a critical glance. "Haven't had time to wash your hands before tea?" was the question. "Wash my 'ands!" exclaimed the man. Then he became explanatory. "I never washes my 'ands. When they gets 'ard I iles 'em."

Tossing In a Blanket.

Tossing in a blanket was formerly a punishment for insubordinate volunteers during the Napoleon panic period. The Westminster boys once seized a bookseller, Curle, who had pirated and published the head king's scholar's oration without permission, and after tossing him in a blanket ducked him under the pump and kicked him out of Dean's yard.—London Telegraph.

Patience.

There's no music in a "rest," but there's the making of music in it. And people are always missing that part of life melody, always talking of perseverance and courage and fortitude, but patience is the finest and worthiest part of fortitude, and the rarest too.—Ruskin.

Objectionable.

"Do you think that that wretched little Pattersby is consistent?"

"Yes, I do, and consistency, you know, is a jewel."

"Maybe so. But in Pattersby's case I don't like the setting."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Sanguine.

The Pessimist—What is the use of struggling? We must all meet our Waterloo some day. The Optimist—Well, when I meet my Waterloo my name is going to be Wellington.

Animals Think.

Church—Do you believe that animals think? Gotham—Certainly. Doesn't the car hog who takes up all the seat think he owns the car?—Yonkers Statesman.

Advice to the Men.

Reams of advice are unloaded upon woman telling, instructing and admonishing her how to make home pleasant, so that the lord and master may find comfort therein. So, then, why should not some advice be given to the said lord and master? For verily there is more than one of them who make home mighty unpleasant. There is the man who does not realize that it takes money to make home pleasant. There is the man who does not realize that his wife needs recreation and outside amusement once in awhile, so that she can continue to make home pleasant. There is the man who does not realize that silence and grumpiness and a grouch now and then do not make home pleasant. There is the man who does not realize that children must be noisy sometimes and play and romp if home is to be pleasant to them.—A Woman Cor. in Philadelphia Telegraph.

FLORIDA'S EXTENT.

The Everglade State Is Larger Than Most Folks Imagine.

But few people have any conception of Florida's extent. Jacksonville is about as far north of Miami as she is south of Charlotte, N. C.; about as far north of Key West as she is south of Danville, Va. Ignorance of the extent of Florida leads to many amusing mistakes. We sometimes hear the railroads of the state charged with making poor time. Why, it takes over twenty-four hours to go from Pensacola to Miami. The man who makes this remark would think he was traveling on a flier if he made the trip from Pensacola to Chicago in the same length of time it would take him to go to Miami. But there is very little difference in the distance. A land trip from one end of Florida to the other is as long as from the lakes to the gulf. A citizen of Maine who makes up his mind to come south may get on the cars and pass through Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, the District of Columbia and far into Virginia. When he has done this he has taken no longer ride than he could have taken by an equally direct line from one Florida town to another, and there are some men green enough to think they are making poor time when they find it takes them longer to go from Pensacola to Miami than from the eastern to the western side of Maine. Of course the old stagers do not make these amusing mistakes. They have a pretty clear conception of the geography of Florida. There are many, however, who come on their first visit with very hazy ideas of the state.—Florida Times-Union.

The Uncomfortable Collar.

"I don't know what is the matter with these collars," said Smartboy to the salesman. "They seemed all right when I bought them yesterday. But I had to use a button hook to connect them with my collar button this morning. They fit as though they were intended for my little brother."

"There are two ways to put on a collar," replied the salesman, "and you seem to have chosen the wrong way. I noticed it when you were here yesterday, but it was not up to me to tell you. I've been jumped on for volunteering that information more than once. Most men think it does not make any difference whether you button the right side or the left of a collar first. It makes all the difference in the world in the comfort and set of the collor, no matter what shape it is. Undo that collar you are wearing, button the right side first, and you'll be glad you're alive."—New York Press.

A Peculiar Animal.

Regarding some of the peculiar characteristics of that strange link between birds and beasts, the duck billed platypus of Australia, a writer says: "It makes its home like an otter in a bank, tunneling up from the entrance under water some thirty or forty feet, which its powerful forearm muscles make nothing of, to a place where it can find a dry and well drained burrow. Its food consists chiefly of insects, crayfish or 'yabbess,' which it bolts, hard shell and all. It will stay from ten to fourteen minutes at a time under water, searching the mud and stones for these delicacies with its ducklike bill. It makes a most fascinating little pet, becoming very tame and squeaking with delight when fed. Its antics are a constant source of pleasure, though if care is not taken it will overeat itself, seeming to have in captivity difficulty in digesting the hard crayfish shells. Its coat is, like the mole's, of an unusually silken and glossy texture."

Aunt Chloe and the Dinner.

Mrs. McJarvis had invited a number of friends to dinner, but the cook left her on the morning of the appointed day without a moment's notice, says the Chicago Tribune.

In this emergency she hunted up an old friend of the family, Aunt Chloe, wife of Uncle Ephraim, and asked her to take the cook's place.

"I'll cook de dinnah, missis," said Aunt Chloe, "if you'll give me wot's left."

Mrs. McJarvis agreed, and within a few hours the dinner was well under way.

Later in the day she visited the kitchen.

"Why, Aunt Chloe," she said, "I have only five persons to entertain, and you are cooking everything there is in the house! What is that?"

"I want to make sho', missis," said auntie, "dat dere'll be sum'n lef'."

London's First Omnibus.

The first London omnibus was really much more gorgeous than its successor of today. It was an imposing vehicle, beautifully decorated and painted, with accommodation for twenty-two passengers inside, and was drawn by three handsome bays, driven by a smart coachman in livery, and its conductor was gay in a blue cloth uniform, like a midshipman. This conductor, by the way, was the son of a naval captain and spoke French so well that it was quite common for the poke bonneted young ladies from Paddington to ride as far as the city and back with the object of improving their French by chatting with him. The fare from the Yorkshire Stingo, at Paddington, to the Bank was a shilling; halfway, sixpence, and newspapers and books were provided for the passengers.—London Globe.

Soft.

"Don't you think the custom of throwing rice at a newly married couple is idiotic?" asked the fluffy haired maid.

"Sure," answered the savage old bachelor. "Mush would be a great deal more appropriate."—Chicago News.

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ADMIRAL DISGRACED

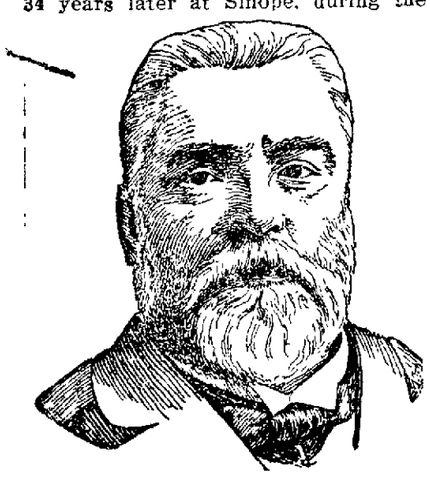
Russia Would Have Forgiven Anything Had He Not Surrendered.

FOR METHOD OF NICHOLAS I

Japanese Naval Expert Gives Explanation as to the Cause of Rojestvensky's Defeat—Attention Now Turns to Land Forces.

St. Petersburg, June 3.—Feeling in the admiralty against Rear Admiral Nebogatoff continues to run high, the majority of the naval authorities being deaf to the appeals of the few who insist that the admiral's action in surrendering his warships should not be condemned until the circumstances become fully known. The majority say they could forgive anything but surrender and point to the precedent set in the case of the Russian warship Raphael, which in 1829, during the Russo-Turkish war, struck its colors to three Turkish ships which surrounded it.

Nicholas I meted out a terrible punishment to the officers and crew of the Raphael, ordering that all of them should be shot after their exchange and directing that if the ship should even be recaptured its infamous history should be blotted out by the total destruction of the vessel. The Raphael, strange to say, was recaptured 34 years later at Sinope, during the



ADMIRAL NEBOGATOFF.
Who is severely criticized, by Russians, for surrendering his ship.

Crimean war, a son of the captain who surrendered her taking part in the battle, and to this son fell the task of executing the dead emperor's orders to destroy her. Many naval authorities declare that the emperor should reserve the same fate for Admiral Nebogatoff.

While hope for the safety of the protected cruisers Oleg and Aurora has been generally abandoned, some of the naval authorities believe it possible that their commanders, realizing that the fleet had been practically destroyed and that Vladivostok as a harbor of refuge would only prove a death trap in the end, laid their course either for Nicholaieff at the mouth of the Amur river or for Petropavlsk in Kamtchatka.

There is plenty of coal at both places to replenish the bunkers of the cruisers. The ships could then escape across the Pacific and either be interned in the United States or return by way of Cape Horn. One reason why the Aurora may elect to go to Petropavlovsk is that her commander married a Kamtchatkan woman and is thoroughly familiar with the waters of that coast.

Defeat Does Not Mean End.

The Novoe Vremya has taken up the suggestion of Admiral Avellan, head of the Russian admiralty department that the disaster to the Russian fleet does not necessarily mean the collapse of the campaign in the far east, as a text for an article preaching a vigorous prosecution of the war on land to the bitter end.

The Radical paper Synotechestva did not appear Friday, it having gone beyond the privilege of criticism accorded to the newspapers in this hour of disaster to an extent which exceeded the patience of the authorities. The paper attempted to print over 11 solid columns of rabid criticism and anti-government tirade. A few copies have been printed for private circulation and they show little but white paper divided by column rules, with one large space surrounded by a significant black border.

Tokio, June 3.—The cardinal causes of Rojestvensky's defeat have been the subject of general discussion here. One Japanese expert gives the following analysis:

"First, an imperfect reconnoisance and incomplete, faulty and misleading intelligence.

"Second, an imperfect battle formation which indicated that Rojestvensky did not expect to meet Togo off Tsushima.

"Third, the weather, the direction of the wind and the sunlight were unfavorable to the Russians, Togo having the sun behind him and firing with the wind, while the Russians had the sunlight in their eyes and fired against the wind.

"Fourth, the Russians wasted their ammunition and eventually ran short. It is believed that the surrender of Nebogatoff was necessary because his ammunition had been expended.

"Fifth, the marked inferiority of the Russian gunnery."

Some experts criticise Rojestvensky for essaying the Tsushima channel. Others uphold him, saying that his only chance lay in going through that channel. The impression prevails that Rojestvensky was totally unaware of the presence of Togo's entire fleet off Tsushima. Many believe that it was necessary for Togo to take a station at a pivotal point from which it would be possible to intercept the Russian entering either Tsushima, Tsugaru or Soya channels. Calculations placed this pivotal point on the west coast, near the western entrance of Tsugaru channel. Togo's real whereabouts were known to many Japanese but the secret was successfully guarded; another example of the willingness and ability of the Japanese to preserve military secrets. Leaving aside the questions of preparedness and superior conditions, the superiority of the Japanese personnel fresh from 15 months of successful campaigning under all possible conditions, must be taken into consideration. Many ascribe the victory entirely to the superior marksmanship of the Japanese. Togo, realizing that it would probably be necessary to fight in the open sea, gave his crews long training in firing during rough weather with a heavy wind blowing and the ships rolling. When the hostile fleets met, the superiority of the Japanese immediately became evident. The sinking of battleships and armored cruisers by shell fire testify to the deadly accuracy of the Japanese guns and destroys the theory that it is impossible to sink such ships by shell fire.

Superhuman Influence Exerted.

The attitude of Japanese naval men towards victory is curious. Togo's message to the emperor saying that the victory was the result of the emperor's superhuman influence strikes the keynote of the navy's attitude. The officers openly say that the marvelous result obtained was impossible by mere human achievement a one.

With the destruction of Russia's naval power interest is returning to military operations on land. Togo's victory tremendously alters the military situation and removes all limits of offensive operations against Russia's maritime provinces. It is now possible to effectively close Vladivostok, seize Sakhalin, the mouth of the Amur river, Kamtchatka and any point between the Tumen river and the arctic circle that the Japanese may desire. A foreign military observer, discussing the question with the correspondent of the Associated Press, says:

"Togo's victory may drive Russia away from the Pacific coast of Asia. Japan now has a free hand in Russia's maritime provinces and her offensive capability is limited. Nothing bars the way except the Russian force at Vladivostok, whose speedy isolation is possible. The Amur river is open to Japanese and Russia's defensive capability is now entirely limited to the capacity of the Chinese-Siberian railway."

Washington, June 3.—The president has struck a blow for peace in the far east. In a conference at the White House with Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, the president expressed the earnest hope that Russia would forthwith conclude peace with Japan. Prolongation of the war, he believes, will not result in victory for the Russian arms and can only serve to increase Japan's demands and render more difficult the drafting of a treaty of peace which the czar as well as the Mikado can sign. The president spoke, he said, as the friend of Russia no less than of Japan, and on behalf not only of the Washington government, but in the interest of humanity. Until his words have reached Tsarskoe-Selo and have been communicated to Emperor Nicholas in the friendly spirit in which they were uttered, their effect cannot be estimated. Soon after reaching his embassy Count Cassini began the preparation of a dispatch to his government. Neither at the White House nor at the Russian embassy could a formal statement regarding the conference be obtained.

FAIRBANKS SPEAKS.

He Pleases His Hearers and Is Loudly Cheered.

Portland, Ore., June 3.—The feature of the Lewis and Clark exposition was the dedication of the handsome building erected by the state of Washington. Vice President Fairbanks and the governors of Oregon and Washington participated in the ceremonies. United States Senator Piles of Washington also addressed the assemblage.

When Vice President Fairbanks was introduced the audience arose and he was given an ovation. The vice president's unstinted praise of the exposition pleased his audience and he was repeatedly cheered. It is manifest, he said, that the growth of the Pacific coast is just beginning, and he marvelled at the prodiguous possibilities of commercial development during the next century.

SNORING IN CHURCH

Is Declared by Tennessee Judge to Be a Breach of the Peace.

Memphis, June 3.—Judge Floyd Estill of Hamilton county declared that snoring in church is a breach of the peace and fined Charles Shubert, a young man of Chattanooga, $20.

Shubert fell asleep in a leading church and his snoring disturbed the congregation. He was arrested on the complaint of the pastor, and, although the young man protested that his actions were without malice, Judge Estill declared that the worship had been disturbed. The case may be fought in the supreme court.

Traction Company Incorporated.

Laporte, Ind., June 3.—The Toledo and Chicago Interurban company filed articles of incorporation for an interurban traction system to connect Toledo and Chicago, traversing northern Indiana counties. The incorporators state there will be no delay in beginning construction operations.

THEATER IS BURNED

Fire Totally Destroys Avenue and Partially Wrecks the Grand Opera House.

SEVERAL PERSONS ARE INJURED

Audience of 1,200 Were Enjoying the Vaudeville Performance at the Grand, but Were Conducted to Safety Without Semblance of Panic.

Pittsburg, June 3.—Fire destroyed the Avenue theater and wrecked the main entrance of the Grand opera house. While the flames devoured the top floor of the building an audience of 1,200 persons was dismissed from the building without a panic. The loss will aggregate $110,000, with insurance of about $95,000. The fire raged violently for about two hours and caused a blockade in Fifth avenue. Several persons were injured.

The fire broke out in the "gridiron" above the stage of the Avenue. This part of the building has been closed for some time, and the blaze had made considerable headway when it was discovered by a fireman who is detailed on special duty at the two theaters.

Intense excitement prevailed in the street from where the flames could be seen. A rush was made into the theater to warn the audience of its danger. The whole top of the building was aflame, and the audience still sat in ignorance of the danger. Duryea and Mortimer, a sketch team, were just closing their act and panic was threatened among the women who were in the back of the stage.

County Detective Robert G. Robinson and several other persons who had noticed the flames from the street walked quietly into the auditorium of the Grand and told the people in the rear rows to leave the building as quickly and as quietly as possible. The curtain was just ascending and the audience was keeping up a furious handclapping to tender an encore to a sketch team. Those who had been told of the fire had the presence of mind to join in the applause and the house was half empty before those in the front seats were admonished of the impending danger. Director Fisher of the orchestra kept the musicians at work until the last occupant of the parquet floor left his seat.

When the people reached the street engine bells were clanging, hose was being unreeled and firemen were invading the building with axes and ladders. Back of the scenes women fled pell-mell from their dressing rooms and dashed down the stairway into Diamond street. A more spectacular fire seldom is witnessed. The flames leaped across Fifth avenue and fantastic purple clouds hung above the shafts of fire. The sun was shining brightly, and when the white streams of water were brought to play from a score of glittering nozzles, rainbows of glorious hue and brilliancy arched above the doomed theater.

Late in the evening the firemen had the flames under control, the only danger being from falling walls. All the injured will recover. The performance was given in the evening at the Alvin theater.

SHE IS AFTER A MEDAL.

Mother of 17 Children Will Lay Claim Before President.

Pittsburg, June 3.—Mrs. Annie Kirchmier, wife of a painter, has just called at the offices of the Pittsburg health bureau and presented a list of 17 children which she had born to her husband and asked to have the births verified by the health bureau records.

Mrs. Kirchmier explained as her reason for asking the help of the health office that she had been informed that if she would have the list verified by the health bureau as to the birth of each child and send the list of children to President Theodore Roosevelt that she would be entitled to a medal. The visitor explained that she was married by ex-Mayor Andrew Fulton in April, 1884. Mrs. Kirchmier is described as quite a good-looking, well-preserved woman of apparently 50 years. She carried the youngest child in her arms.

DYNAMITED A CHURCH.

It Is Alleged That Men Were Hired for $250 to Do the Deed.

Wilkesbarre, June 3.—The authorities announced that they have now secured positive evidence that enemies of Rev. T. C. Edwards paid men $250 to dynamite his church, the Welsh Congregational, of Edwardsville.

They believe five men took part in it and that the two suspects recently jailed are two of them. The other three have left this region and are now being traced. For some time previous to the outrage Rev. Edwards had been busy opposing applicants for liquor licenses and had succeeded in preventing many being granted.

Hatchery Superintendents Appointed.

Harrisburg, June 3.—State Fish Commissioner Meehan has appointed W. H. Safford of Northville, Mich., to be superintendent of the hatchery to be located in southern Pennsylvania, and William Haas of Corry to take charge of the hatchery to be erected in eastern Pennsylvania. Safford will be assigned to the Bellefonte hatchery as first assistant until the hatchery of which he will be superintendent has been erected. Haas is at present assistant superintendent of the Corry hatchery.

FRICK HAS RESIGNED.

Gives Up His Place on Board of Directors of Equitable.

New York, June 3.—Denied claims of victory by the conflicting factions in the Equitable Life Assurance society, and an apparent readjustment of interests, marked the meetings of the directors held for the purpose of passing on the report of the committee of seven, of which H. C. Frick is the chairman.

The only positive results of the meeting of which official announcement was made were the rejection of the report of the Frick committee by a large majority, the resignation of Mr. Frick from the board of directors and the passage of the resolutions embodied in the following statement given out by the directors after the final adjournment:

The board after full discussion and after replies on their own behalf to the committee by President Alexander, Vice President Hyde and Vice President Tarbell, on motion of Mr. Schiff, adopted the following resolutions.

"That a chairman of the board be created with plenary powers over all departments and affairs of the society.

"That a nominating committee consisting of D. O. Mills, John A. Stewart, A. J. Cassatt, T. Jefferson Coolidge, August Belmont, J. B. Forgan and Robert T. Lincoln be requested to report at a meeting of the board to be called on Wednesday next, a candidate for chairman.

"That at that meeting of the board the executive committee be reorganized and that appropriate amendments to the by-laws should be prepared for submission to that meeting for the purpose of carrying out these resolutions.

"That Mr. James Hazen Hyde be requested within three months to divest himself of the control of the stock of the society on such terms and conditions as shall be satisfactory to him and to the board."

TO FOSTER "BIG TREES."

Forestry Bureau Finds That Their Cultivation Is Possible.

Washington, June 3.—The United States bureau of forestry has reached the stage in its experiments looking to the reproduction of the famous "big trees" of California, to make the positive announcement that contrary to prevalent belief this race of forest monarchs need not become extinct, but may be greatly multiplied.

In a bulletin just issued it is said the trees seed freely, but that the seed rarely germinate except when they fall where the ground has recently been burned over. Once started, the young growth need only a moderate amount of light and protection from fire and stock grazing. Healthy young growth, it is stated, is rare, but in some sections there are plenty of seedlings. It is proposed to remove some of these to localities best suited to their growth. The first extensive transplanting of the big trees has been accomplished in the General Grant National park, California.

THE BLACK ROSE

Of Mourning Is at Last a Thing of Reality.

Savannah, Ga., June 3.—Mourning roses may become popular, now that Dennis Tapley, a cripple, who peddled key rings on the streets, and whose hobby was the cultivation of flowers has developed a coal-black variety that experts say is a wonder. For ages naturalists have been trying to produce a black rose, but never attained their object. Tapley now declares that by his method he has perfected a bud with petals as black as a raven's wing.

This, he asserts, he does without the use of chemicals. He has named the rose the Mourning, and he says it is bound to bring him wealth.

R. F. D. Headquarters Changed.

Washington, June 3.—Postmaster General Cortelyou ordered the transfer of the headquarters of the Cincinnati division of rural free delivery from the latter city to Indianapolis. The division comprises the states of Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky, and will be known hereafter as the Indianapolis division. Division Superintendent S. B. Rathbone is in charge and after July 1 next his office will be located at Indianapolis, and those clerks now employed in Cincinnati will be transferred to the former place.

Will Establish Orphans' Home.

Nashville, Tenn., June 3.—The Terrill college property at Kecherd, Tenn., in the presence of Governor Cox and other state and city officials, was formally transferred to Rev. Hugh Calvin Smith of Chicago, president of the university board of trustees of the Order of Railroad Conductors' orphans' home and school. The school will be used as a home for the orphan children of railroad conductors of America. The institution will be opened at once in Chicago by Robert S. Harris of Sandiego, Cal.

Compressed Emotion Let Go.

Kalamazoo, Mich., June 3.—A moment after Miss Norah Westenhiser of Ransom street dropped into the stove a bundle of old love letters the stove blew up. A flying fragment of iron nipped a bow from her shoulder as it flew past, and her gown was set on fire and her life was saved only after her arms had been badly burned. The fire department put out the flames in the kitchen.

Postmasters Appointed.

Washington, June 3.—The president appointed the following postmasters: Ohio—Oberlin, Juison Stone. Pennsylvania—Jenkintown, W. H. Fretz.

A REVIEW OF TRADE

By R. G. Dun & Co. Says That the Present Weather Has Retarding Influence.

Season's Opening Was Very Promising for Good Spring Trade, but Later Conditions Have to Some Extent Altered the Outlook.

New York, June 3.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

Warmer weather is needed to restore normal conditions both in cities and on the farms. The season opened bright with promise, dealers preparing for a heavy spring business, but abnormally low temperature and excessive moisture retarded consumption, and burdensome stocks must be carried over unless accumulations are reduced by clearance sales at bargain prices. A few weeks of hot weather would greatly improve the situation, however, particularly as to the agricultural outlook, which would be reflected in other industries very promptly. A little weakness is noted in pig iron, but most lines of finished steel are in good demand and confidence is expressed in results a month hence unless there should be a serious controversy regarding wages.

Other leading branches of manufacture are making favorable reports, the rise in prices of raw material acting as a stimulus at textile mills, but any excessive inflation would prove injurious. Such reports as are available for the full month of May indicate much better results than last year, particularly statistics of failures and bank exchanges, while incomplete returns of railway earnings show an average gain of 7.7 per cent. Foreign commerce at this port for the last week was also favorable, exports exceeding those of 1904 by $4,837,389, while imports showed a small gain of $481,851.

Minor metals are fairly steady, and the only development in the coal market is the usual monthly advance in price of anthracite. Coke ovens are less active, reflecting the reduced output of pig iron furnaces, but contracts are being placed for delivery during the first half of next year.

Textile fabrics are stronger in tone because of the upward tendency of raw materials, and also on account of the limited supply of goods in first hands, often making prompt delivery impossible.

Trade in packer hides is still confined to small purchases of late April and May salting for immediate requirements.

New England footwear manufacturers are receiving liberal fall contracts from salesmen at the west and plants are now operated close to their full capacity.

Failures this week in the United States are 198, against 211 last week, 231 the preceding week and 220 the corresponding week last year. Failures in Canada number 29, against 19 last week, 11 the preceding week and 20 last year.

WOULD TEACH CHILDREN

That War Is Not the Greatest of Human Interests.

Lake Mohonk, N. Y., June 3.—Dr. Ernst Richard, lecturer at Columbia university, addressed the International Arbitration conference on the teaching of international arbitration in the schools, closing his address in the following words:

"I do not say that wars and people who have fought for a righteous cause should not be mentioned at all, but I protest against a history which makes children believe that war is the greatest of human interests, that the story of wars should take one-third to two-thirds of the time of the lessons and the space of the text books, that the glory of the conqueror is made out to be the highest aim of ambition; that the deeds and the name of Alexander, who had thousands of men killed and whole countries laid waste, should be better known and appear greater than the accomplishments and the name of the men to whom we owe the irrigation of the arid lands of our west.

"Do you not think that our children should learn to honor men, say, like the discoverer of the diphtheria serum, which saved the lives of millions of children by reducing the number of victims of that dread disease by 80 per cent, to honor him more than a winner of battles whose path to glory is paved by death.

"Let then our historical instruction give more attention to the productive than the destructive elements of evolution."

Married Him to Save Suicide.

Atlanta, June 3.—Asserting that she married Robert T. Pickerell, then a resident of Atlanta, to prevent him from swallowing laudanum and using a pistol upon himself with suicidal intent and that the said Robert T. Pickerell, her husband, has knocked her down and otherwise treated her brutally since the marriage, Mary E. Pickerell, a resident of Atlanta, asks the court of Fulton county to grant her an absolute divorce from the man to whom she was wedded on Aug. 7, 1901.

Fighting Resumed in Macedonia.

Vienna, June 3.—It is reported that a serious fight has taken place between Servian and Bulgarian bands near Kitshewo, Macedonia. Twenty Bulgarians and 12 Servians were killed and many on each side wounded. The Servians captured the Bulgarian leader, who is alleged to be a captain in the Bulgarian army.

ELEPHANT A SUICIDE.

Deliberately Throws Tis Huge Body Over a Precipice.

Buffalo, June 3.—Pirate, a wicked elephant belonging to the herd of Ringling's circus, was killed in the Jamerthal stone quarry in Fillmore avenue at the spot where Arthur R. Pennell, the lawyer, and his wife, who obtained such notoriety in the Burdick murder case, went to death when their auto dived over the cliff.

For a month the elephant had been ugly and his death was decreed by the circus folks, who intended to kill him in the afternoon. A plan to strangle the beast was laid out. Maybe from an intuition of approaching danger Pirate was restless all morning.

When the executioners had blocks and tackles ready to choke him to death Pirate, with fierce trumpeting, tore loose from his chain. Down the street a block he lumbered. At the edge of the Jamerthal quarry he turned and the huge body, galloping, fell over the cliff to the bottom, 40 feet below. He was dead when the pursuing circus folks reached the quarry.

Indian Tries to Wreck Train.

Kalamazoo, Mich., June 3.—A Pottawattomie Indian at Pokagon tried to wreck a Grand Rapids and Indiana passenger train, but the attempt was frustrated by a freight train crew. The freight conductor flagged the passenger train, which carried 200 passengers. The Indian had scattered ties along the track for a quarter of a mile. He was arrested and put in jail at Doawagiac. He confessed to the attempt.

Workmen Unearth Securities.

Bedford, Ind., June 3.—Workmen engaged in unloading a carload of sand found hidden in it several bundles of papers, which proved to be bonds and securities valued at $300,000. They were identified as the property of the Wilmington, Ill., bank, which was robbed of the papers and $2,500 cash on May 9. The papers have been returned to the bank.

Blackmar Will Attend Encampments.

Boston, June 3.—General Wilmon W. Blackmar, commander-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, announced that he would leave this city Monday to attend the proceedings of various department encampments. These will include the encampments of Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Wisconsin, Indiana, Michigan and New York.

Steamboat H. M. Carter Sunk.

Shreveport, La., June 3.—The steamboat H. M. Carter, it is rumored, ran into the pier of the railroad bridge across Red river at Alexandria, La. Sixteen lives are reported lost.

Her Advice.

"Yes, Laura, he said his heart was in my keeping."

"Take my advice, dear, and tell him you are not running a storage warehouse for damaged goods."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

NATIONAL AND AMERICAN GAMES

Standing and Scores of the Major League Teams.

National League Standing.

Club	W	L	Pct	Club	W	L	Pct
New York	27	9	.750	Chicago	20	22	.476
Pittsburg	24	17	.585	St. Louis	16	23	.410
Phila	22	16	.579	Boston	14	26	.350
Cincinnati	19	20	.487	Brooklyn	15	29	.341

National Friday—New York 8, Boston 3; others rain.

American League Standing.

Club	W	L	Pct	Club	W	L	Pct
Cleveland	22	12	.647	Boston	15	20	.429
Chicago	22	14	.611	Washington	16	22	.421
Phila	21	15	.583	St. Louis	16	23	.410
Detroit	19	18	.514	New York	15	22	.405

American Friday—St. Louis 5, Detroit 1; Philadelphia 3, Washington 1.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, June 2.—Anxiety over the condition of the Missouri wheat crop was one of the causes for a strong market here today in wheat. Advances at Minneapolis had also a decided effect. At the close July wheat was up ⅜@½c. Corn is up ½c. Oats are unchanged. Closing quotations: Wheat, July, 89; corn, 50⅝; oats, 30¾.

PITTSBURG MARKETS—JUNE 2.

Corn—Yellow shelled, 58@58½; high mixed, 56½@57; yellow ear, 62@63.

Oats—No. 2 white, 35½@35¾; No. 3, 35@35½; No. 4, 34½@34¾.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, $12.25@12.50; No 2, $11@11.25; No. 1 clover, $10.25@10.75; No. 1 mixed, $10.50@11; loose from wagon, $14@16.

Eggs—Selected candled, 17@17½.

Butter—Prints, 24@24½; tubs, 23½@24; dairy, 15@16.

Cheese—New York full cream, new, 10½@11; Ohio cream, 10@10½; limburger, new, 13½@14.

Cattle—Prime to fancy, fat, smooth steers, $6.15@6.35; green, coarse and rough fat steers, $4.50@5.25; fat, smooth, dry fed, light steers, $4.75@5.40; choice milch cows, $30@48; medium to good milch cows, $15@30; good, fat, smooth, handy butchers' bulls, $4@4.60; feeding steers, good style, weight and extra quality, $4.50@5; feed steers, common to good quality, $4@4.40; fair to choice stockers, $3.50@4.

Calves—Veals, good to choice, $6.50@7; veals, fair to good, $5.50@6; heavy and thin calves, $4@5.

Hogs—Good to prime heavy, $5@5.60; medium weights, $5.60; best heavy yorkers, $5.60; good light yorkers, $5.60; pigs, good to prime, $5.60@5.65.

Sheep and Lambs—Prime wethers, $4.80@4.90; good to choice mixed, $4.50@4.75; fair to good mixed, $4@4.40; culls and common, $1.50@3; clipped lambs, $3.50@6.25; spring lambs, $5@8.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Discovered this Week by Independent Investigators.

The barbers' union at Wooster will give up its charter.

Miss Elsie Fabel, of Cleveland, is visiting Miss Bertha Lucius in Wood street.

Mrs. Richard Harvey, of Lock Haven, Pa., is visiting her sister, Mrs. B. L. Ayres, in Richville.

Mr. and Mrs. D T. McClellan, of Mt. Vernon, O., are the guests of their daughter, Mrs. J. J. Bernstein, in Vanderbilt avenue.

State School Commissioner and Mrs E. A. Jones, of Columbus, are guests at the residence of Joseph K. Russell, in East Main street.

The condition of C M. Whitman continues to show a steady improvement. He is not yet able to sit up, although he takes light nourishment

Miss Hazel Higginbotham of 119 West Main street, is a guest of Miss Ruth Grant at the pleasant farm home of Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Grant, three miles west of Justus.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph S. Rounds, whose marriage occurred in Massillon last Monday, sailed from New York at 11 o'clock Saturday morning on the steamer Princess Irene, for Gibraltar.

Robert, aged 7, the son of Charles Erwin, of New Philadelphia, while playing Friday morning, fell and bit his tongue off. He nearly bled to death. A doctor sewed the severed parts, the operation requiring many stitches.

According to a note left at The Independent office Saturday morning "Dr. F. Z. Groff and wife, of Sippo, have again left home for the summer in the interest of Bible truth as set forth in the Millennial Dawn series and Zion's Watch Tower."

Mrs. John Weckels, of Canton, a deaf mute, while carrying her child in her arms and walking in the street Thursday was run down by a runaway team drawing a heavy farm wagon. The child's skull was crushed, death following in a few minutes. The woman was badly injured and taken to a hospital.

James T. Kennedy, formerly editor of the Canton Morning News, has accepted the managing editorship of the Alliance Leader. Judging from the success made by the News under the management of Editor Kennedy, the Leader is subject to congratulations.—Youngstown Telegram.

Mrs E R Albrecht gave a children's party at her residence in East Main street Friday afternoon in honor of the sixth birthday anniversary of her son Henry. The youngsters played games and were then seated, four apiece, at small tables and served with a delicious supper. The favors were toys and bon bons.

The condition of Elmer Kellogg remains practically unchanged. He is still at Mt. Airy hospital and remains conscious all the time. The lower limbs are paralyzed, due to the fracture of the spine, which was sustained in being thrown from a moving train two weeks ago. Relatives from Norwalk and Lorain have visited him since the accident.

The Rev. S. K Mahon, pastor of the Wesley M. E church, made the chief address at the annual convention of the Bethlehem township Sunday School association held at Navarre Friday evening. The Rev. R R. Bigger, pastor of the Presbyterian church, of this city, showed some stereopticon views representing the evils of intemperance and gambling.

The annual class exercises of the pupils of the Hall Memorial school were held Friday evening. Six pupils took part and gave essays, recitations and songs. Miss Frances Riley, the head of the school, made an address. The pupils taking part were the Misses Mary G. Elder, Agnes Carter, Mattie Waller, Georgia Wares, Lulu M. Warren and Beatrice Burton.

The Rev H. W. Edwards, of Pittsburg, is the new pastor of the A. M. E. church of Zion. Mr. Edwards arrived today and will be ready to conduct the Sunday morning service at the church. He will preach on "The Heavenly Telegraph." In the evening his subject will be "God's Law." Sunday school will be at 2 o'clock. The new pastor wants a good turnout. There will be special music at all services

While on the train Tuesday en route for Massillon, where he delivered the Memorial day address, Dr. A. C. Yengling, of Salem, found a large roll of bills upon the car seat in which he was sitting. The currency had been dropped by a man who had occupied the same seat with Dr. Yengling, who discovered the money before the train had pulled out of Canton depot, where the loser had left the train Seeing the man upon the platform Dr. Yengling called to him and delivered the lucre into the hands of the owner.—Alliance Review.

Mrs. M. E. Cassel, of Columbus, who was leader of the ladies' chorus, which took part in the recent eisteddfod in this city, has entered a protest against the decision of the adjudicators when awarding the money for the chorus contest. The first and second prize were divided equally between Columbus and Winona, but Mrs. Cassel claims that Columbus should have received the whole prize. The protest will be brought to the attention of the eisteddfod directors, but it is not likely that any action will be taken.—Canton Morning News.

NEARBY TOWNS.

NAVARRE.

Navarre, June 3.—The funeral of Charles Bowers was held from the residence of the deceased's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bowers, Friday morning at 10 o'clock, the Rev. J. M. Poulton officiating. The pall bearers, members of the Navarre base ball team, were Frank McAllister, James Define, Ansen Weidman, Otto Eckroate, Ed Siffert and Stanie Zgorski. The casket was covered with flowers sent by friends. The Navarre ball team sent a handsome wreath.

CRYSTAL SPRING.

Crystal Spring, June 5.—Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Ries, a son.

Peter Jeanty returned Saturday to Detroit, after a week's visit with friends here.

Mrs. Charles Plansky and Miss Mary Plansky, of Detroit, are visiting relatives at this place.

The following Massillon people spent Sunday with relatives and friends at Crystal Spring: Mr. and Mrs. William Crookston, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ries, Miss Catherine Ries, Miss Bessie Ries, George Leonard, Anthony Crookston, Mrs. M. Derwalt, Miss Carrie Derwalt, Miss Bertha Pahlau, Miss Grace Moore and Mr. and Mrs. B. C. White.

The Misses Gertrude L. Crookston, Dora M. Klein and Grace E. Young successfully passed the Patterson examination recently held at Canton.

Friday, May 26, marked the closing of the public schools of this place. The programme started with exercises by all the scholars of the three rooms in the forenoon in the advanced department of the building. A large number of people had assembled to listen to the songs, recitations and witness other customary performances, the rendition of which was very pleasing. Dinner was served in the grove and the many good things brought along in the well filled baskets were greatly relished. The afternoon was devoted to out of door sports and various games. Attorney Putman, of Wilmot, made a brief address appropriate to the occasion, mixing enough wit and humor with his remarks to bring forth applause and laughter. The good feeling which had existed during the school term between the teacher and pupil and parent could not always be kept a secret and it was shown plainly on the last day of school that the teachers had been well liked by everybody and were also congratulated upon their school work. The corps of teachers consisted of Edwin Ehle, of New Berlin, Miss Clara Fierstos, of Canton, and Miss Grace Putman, of Wilmot. All have returned to their homes for the summer vacation and our village should feel proud to find the same teachers in charge of our schools when the term begins next fall.

OBITUARY.

MRS. FANCES NOLAN.

Mrs. Frances Nolan, aged 47 years, wife of George Nolan, a teamster in the employ of John Paul & Son, died at a hospital in Canton Thursday afternoon of dropsy. The deceased was taken to the institution three weeks ago and had suffered from dropsy several months. The body was brought to this city and the funeral will be held from the home of Frank Nolan, the husband's brother, 28 West South street, Sunday afternoon at 2:30, the Rev. J. E. Digel officiating. Interment will be made in the Massillon cemetery.

MISS ARTIE L. FISHEL.

Miss Artie L. Fishel, aged 42 years, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Joseph D. Brunny, 41 South Grant street, at 8 o'clock Friday morning, of tuberculosis. The deceased had been ill several months but had been at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Brunny but three weeks. The body will be sent to Minerva Saturday at 12:56 p. m., where the funeral will be held Sunday afternoon.

Advertised Letters.

List of letters remaining unclaimed in the postoffice at Massillon, June 5, 1905:

LADIES

Leslie, Miss Mary — Fitzgerald, Mrs. Jos.
Walter, Miss Mattie — Talbot, Miss Katherine

MEN.

Armond, Ted V. — Bates, M.
Austerberry, J. C. — Humphreys, Alfred
Olderman, John — Selthorn, Rev. H.
Williams, Harry S.

FOREIGN.

Butt, Miss Minnie

MISCELLANEOUS.

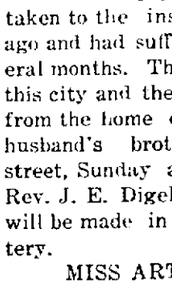
Smith, Wynkoop & Gormley, Agents.
Stark County Boiler Works

Persons calling for the above named letters will please say advertised.

LOUIS A. KOONS, P. M.

Come to THE INDEPENDENT office for your job printing.

Dr. KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY



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KIDNEY and LIVER cure.

Dr. Kennedy's Favorite Remedy is adapted to all ages and both sexes, affording permanent relief in all cases caused by impurity of the blood, such as, Kidney, Bladder and Liver Complaints, Constipation, and weaknesses peculiar to women. Successful for 30 years. Prepared by DR. D. KENNEDY'S SON'S, Roudout, N. Y. $1.00 all druggists. Six bottles $5.00.

The Cause of Many Sudden Deaths.

There is a disease prevailing in this country most dangerous because so deceptive. Many sudden deaths are caused by it—heart disease, pneumonia, heart failure or apoplexy are often the result of kidney disease. If kidney trouble is allowed to advance the kidney-poisoned blood will attack the vital organs, causing catarrh of the bladder, or the kidneys themselves break down and waste away cell by cell.

Bladder troubles almost always result from a derangement of the kidneys and a cure is obtained quickest by a proper treatment of the kidneys. If you are feeling badly you can make no mistake by taking Dr. Kilmer's **Swamp-Root,** the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often through the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases.

Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and is sold by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles. You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful new discovery and a book that tells all about it, both sent free by mail. Address, Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

STRIKE SETTLEMENT.

The New Plan Ignores the Express Companies.

Chicago, June 3.—Negotiations along new lines for a strike settlement were under way today. A committee named by the teamsters' joint council awaits a similar committee from the employers. It has been suggested to ignore the express companies in the agreement.

IN THE MARKETS.

Home Grown Strawberries are With Us at Last.

Home grown strawberries, their advent made auspicious by its lateness, reached Massillon this week. The first comers looked small and pale, as though they had recently recovered from a long illness. On Saturday, however, a lot put in an appearance from the south end of the county which were in every way worthy of their environment. Big, red and juicy, they retailed at 14 cents per quart.

Letter Carriers Notice.

The Rural Letter Carriers' Association of Stark county will hold its next meeting in Canton on Saturday, June 10, at the Hotel Conrad. The programme will include speaking, singing, the election of officers and the election of delegates to the state convention. All members are requested to be present. John J. Zeigler, secretary.

MASSILLON MARKET.

The following are the retail prices today in Massillon. This report is corrected daily:

Country butter, per lb	22
Creamery butter	26
Eggs, per dozen	18
Chickens, spring, lb	15
Cabbage, per pound	2½
New Cabbage, per lb	8
Lettuce, per lb	19
Onions, per peck	65
Potatoes, per bushel	40

Dealers Pay for Country Produce:

Country butter, per lb	16 18
Eggs, per dozen	14
Chickens, live, per lb	12
Chickens, spring, dressed lb	15
Chickens, dressed	12
Potatoes, per bushel	25

GRAIN MARKETS.

Following are the paying prices:

Wheat	95
Oats	32-33
Corn	55

Following are the selling prices.

Hay, baled, per hundred	70
Straw, per hundred	55
Shelled corn, per bushel	70
Oats, per bushel	40
Corn	70
Hay, loose, per ton	$10-$11

COMMENCEMENT JUNE 21.

Exercises Will be Held in the Armory as Usual.

The annual commencement exercises of the graduating class of the high school will be held in the Armory the evening of Wednesday, June 21. The class at present consists of twenty-seven members and it is expected that all will be graduated. Superintendent Cronebaugh has been given power by the board to procure the necessary diplomas and certificates.

FOR SALE!

THE REMPIS CEMENT BLOCK MACHINES

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A Good One. Made by

The Rempis & Gallmeyer Foundry Co.

60 N. Front St., Grand Rapids, Mich. Write us. It will pay you

FOR SALE.

BUGGIES—One surrey, Archer's make, good as new; one Tonney buggy pole; one 40 lb. Mexican saddle complete; new. Inquire Dr J. F. Gardner, W. Brookfield, O.

Auto Thieves Beware

American Motor League Inaugurates Campaign Against Enemies of Owners.

To protect its members from the increasing danger of losing their automobiles by theft the officers of the American Motor league have devised a registry system under which the car of each member may be registered and described in detail and a "protection disk" attached to the car, thus notifying the professional culprit that an organized national body will urge his conviction and punishment if any theft is attempted.

Besides offering a reward of $100 for the conviction of the thief who steals an automobile, the A. M. L. offers a separate reward of $25 for a conviction leading to the punishment of any offender who maliciously injures the person or property of a member while on the public road.

The league has issued to its members the following announcement: "To Members of the American Motor League—The A. M. L. protection disk tells its own story. It is shown (both sides) by accompanying cuts. It is covered with red leather and may be attached to the car without danger of scratching or marring the polished surface. The lettering is in gold and will not tarnish by exposure to the weather. The disk is three inches in diameter and is supplied with a strong red silk cord, by which it may be attached to any convenient part of the car.

"The league on learning of the theft of any registered automobile belonging to a member will immediately send notice and full description of the stolen car to the police authorities of towns within a radius of several hundred miles from the place of theft, with notice also of the reward offered for the conviction of the thief. The name and address of the owner of the stolen vehicle will be given and notice will be sent to him at once in case the thief is arrested or the vehicle recovered.

"Similar notices will be sent to the various dealers in secondhand machines, who will thereby be warned against the purchase of the stolen car and will thus be enabled to identify and detain the thief who offers the stolen property for sale.

"Notices with full information will also be sent to the automobile papers

$25 REWARD
WILL BE PAID BY THE
AMERICAN MOTOR LEAGUE
For the conviction of any offender, who, maliciously injures the person or property of a member while riding on the public road.
$100 REWARD
WILL BE PAID BY THE
AMERICAN MOTOR LEAGUE
For the conviction of any Thief who steals this Automobile.
No. 229

INSCRIPTION ON AUTO PROTECTION DISK.

and to the prominent newspapers and every effort will be made to recover the car and convict the offender. If any unregistered automobile is stolen from a member the league will exert every effort to recover the property, but having no recorded description of the car, its action in such case will be less prompt and effective.

"The member whose person or property is injured should at once secure the arrest of the offender and take him before the nearest magistrate. Witnesses should be secured and, if necessary, the aid of the public prosecuting attorney (or other attorney) invoked and the criminal thus brought to punishment.

"The reward of $25 in such case will be paid for conviction which leads to the punishment of the offender. That is to say, a mere trifling offense which ends with a brief lecture by the magistrate and the discharge of the prisoner is not one that calls for the payment of this reward.

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